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SUBJ: GOP REQUEST FOR CCC CREDITS

REF: STATE 30201

1. EMBASSY ASKED MINISTRY OF FINANCE FOR INFORMATION REQUESTED
PARAS 2 AND 3 OF REFTEL. WE WILL FORWARD IT ASAP.

2. FOLLOWING STATEMENT RESONDS TO PARA 5 OF REFTEL: PORTUGAL
SHOULD ENCOUNTER NO SIGNIFICANT DIFFICULTIES MEETING REPAYMENT
OBLIGATIONS TO CCC. IT CURRENTLY HAS A RELATIVELY LARGE
BALANCE OF PAYMENTS DEFICIT, BUT GOP INTRODUCING ECONOMIC
PROGRAM DESIGNED TO REDUCE AND EVENTUALLY ELIMINATE THIS IM-
BALANCE. MOREOVER, THE COUNTRY'S GOLD RESERVES, WICH AT
PRESENT MARKET PRICES APPROXIMATE \$4 BILLION, VIRTUALLY INSURE
THE NATION'S MEDIUM-TERM REPAYMENT CAPACITY. ALTHOUGH GOP
WILL AVOID SELING LARGE AMOUNTS OF GOLD WITHIN A BRIEF
PERIOD IN ORDER NOT TO DEPRESS MARKET PRICES, IT HAS ALREADY
SHOWN ITS WILLINGNESS TO DISPOSE OF SMALL AMOUNTS. IT WILL
ALSO USE THE REMAINDER AS COLLATERAL FOR SIZEABLE FOREIGN LOANS.
THESE LOANS, COMBINED WITH IMF DRAWINGS, WORLD BANK AND
OTHER MULTILATERAL INSTITUTION CREDITS, AND BILATERAL
ASSISTANCE, SHOULD PROVIDE PORTUGAL WITH SUFFICIENT
LIQUIDITY TO MEET ITS OBLIGATIONS WHILE IT REESTABLISHES
EQUILIBRIUM IN ITS EXTERNAL ACCOUNTS.

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